## BEACH LIFE

Rio is known for its beaches. The longest beach is called Barra da Tijuca and stretches for over fifteen kilometres.

It would probably take you four hours to walk from one end to the other! Two of the most famous beaches in Rio are Copacabana and Ipanema.

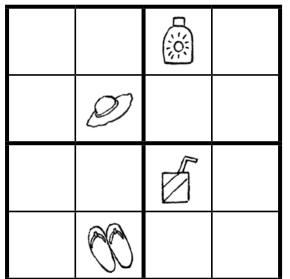
## COPACABANA

Copacabana is a party beach. Its four kilometres of gleaming white sand are packed with sunbathers, volleyball players, swimmers, fishermen, surfers and tourists. On New Year's Eve, Copacabana has a huge festival called Reveillon. As many as two million people come to watch the enormous fireworks display. This is the largest New Year's Eve celebration in the world!

## IPANEMA

Ipanema is an Indian word that means bad, dangerous waters. People must be careful where they swim because there's a strong current that can pull swimmers away from the shore.

Ipanema is widely known for being the birth place of new and exciting styles of swimming trunks and bikinis!



## SUNNY DAY SUDOKU

There are four vital things in this puzzle that everyone needs for a sizzlingly hot day on Copacabana beach. Can you complete the grid so that each row, each column and each outlined block of four squares contains one pair of flip-flops, one beach hat, one juice drink, and one tube of sun cream?

The answer is on page 63.

